

## Message Text

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R 171448Z MAY 77  
FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8054  
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: LE, KU, PFOR  
SUBJECT: CAIRO ACCORDS ISSUE: GOK RESPONDS TO CAMILLE  
CHAMOUN ATTACK

REF: BEIRUT 2342

1. KUWAITI PRESS CARRIES ASSOCIATED PRESS STORY FROM BEIRUT IN WHICH CAMILLE CHAMOUN ACCUSES KUWAIT OF USING THE PROSPECT OF AID TO LEBANON AS LEVERAGE TO IMPOSE A PALESTINIAN PRESENCE IN LEBANON. KUWAITI MINISTER FOR CABINET AFFAIRS (ACTING FONMIN) IS QUOTED (IN MAY 17 AL RAI AL AM) AS LABELING CHAMOUN'S CHARGE AS UNTRUE AND INSISTING THAT "KUWAIT IS TRYING ITS BEST TO BRING THE LEBANESE FACTIONS TOGETHER".

2. COMMENT: WE PRESUME THAT CHAMOUN AND COMPANY ARE BURNED UP ABOUT THE REMARKS TO THE KFUR FRONT OF THE KUWAITI AMBASSADOR IN BEIRUT AND THE KUWAITI FONMIN'S INTERVIEW IN "USBUA  
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AL-ARABI", BOTH MENTIONED REFTEL. THIS DEVELOPMENT WAS PERHAPS PREDICTABLE ON POLITICAL GROUNDS ALONE BUT, IN ADDITION, THERE IS THE FEELING IN KUWAIT THAT THE SITUATION IN LEBANON SHOULD BE RESOLVED BY AGREEMENT NATIONWIDE BEFORE KUWAITI MONEY IS PUMPED IN FOR RECONSTRUCTION. EVEN WITH ALL THEIR BILLIONS, THE KUWAITIS ARE LOATH TO RISK THE LOSS OF AN INVESTMENT OR GIFT -- THEIR CONCERN HAS BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BY RECENT

VISITS TO BEIRUT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE KUWAIT FUND, ABDULLATIF  
AL-HAMAD, AND THE CROWN PRINCE'S FINANCIAL ADVISOR (AND  
FORMER FINMIN DIRECTOR OF INVESTMENTS KHALID ABU SAUD.  
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